

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the abstract at page 28, as follows:

**ABSTRACT**

~~The object of the present invention is to provide a particle board which is improved at its entirety in the resistance to water without impairing its performance as a bearing board member and provide a method of making particle board.~~

A particle board ~~of the invention~~ having wooden materials coated with an adhesive of a thermosetting resin and pressurized with being heated, ~~the particle board comprising:~~ includes a core layer and face layers provided on both, front and back, sides of the core layer~~[,]~~, ~~wherein the~~ The wooden materials of the face layer are smaller in the average particle diameter than the wooden material of the core layer~~[;]~~ and [[Voids]] voids between the adjacent wooden materials in the face layer and the core layer are filled with resin particles of a thermoplastic resin by being pressurized with being heated.